UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK MBIA INC.,

Plaintiff,

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Case No. 08 cv 4313 (RMB/DFE)

-against-

**UNOPPOSED MOTION TO** 

ADMIT COUNSEL PRO HAC VICE

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendants.

PURSUANT TO RULE 1.3(c) of the Local Rules of United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, I, Amory Donelly, a member in good standing the bar of this Court, hereby move for an Order allowing the admission pro hac vice of:

LARA DEGENHART Howrey LLP 1299 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20004 202.783.0800 (tel.) 202.383.6610 (fax)

Lara Degenhart is a member of good standing of the Bar of the State of South Carolina and the District of Columbia. There are no pending disciplinary proceedings against Ms. Degenhart in any State or Federal Court.

Dated: New York, New York June 11, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

Amory W. Donelly

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MBIA INC.,		:	
	Plaintiff,	:	Case No. 08 cv 4313 (RMB/DFE)
-against- FEDERAL INSURANCI ACE AMERICAN INSU		: :	AFFIDAVIT OF AMORY W. DONELLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO ADMIT COUNSEL <i>PRO HAC VICE</i>
		: x	
STATE OF NEW YORK	. ) : ss.		
COUNTY OF NEW YOR			

AMORY W. DONELLY, being duly sworn, hereby deposes and says as follows:

- 1. I am associated with Howrey LLP, counsel for plaintiff in the above-captioned action. I am familiar with the proceedings in this case. I make this statement based on my personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and in support of plaintiff's motion to admit Lara Degenhart as counsel *pro hac vice* to represent plaintiff in this matter.
- 2. I am a member in good standing of the bar of the State of New York and was admitted to practice law on February 27, 2008. I am also admitted in the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, and am in good standing with these Courts. (See Exhibits A & B annexed hereto).
- 3. I have known Lara Degenhart since 2006.
- 4. Ms. Degenhart is a member of Howrey LLP in Washington D.C.
- 5. She is a member of good standing of the Bars of the State of South Carolina and the District of Columbia. (See Exhibits A & B annexed hereto)
- 5. I have found Ms. Degenhart to be a skilled attorney and a person of integrity. She is experienced in Federal practice and is familiar with the Federal Rules of Procedure.
- 6. Accordingly, I am pleased to move the admission of Ms. Degenhart, pro hac vice

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- 7. This motion is unopposed. True and accurate copies of emails from opposing counsel consenting to Ms. Degenhart's admission pro hac vice are attached as Exhibits C and D.
- 8. I respectfully submit a proposed order granting the admission of Lara Degenhart, pro hac vice, which is attached as Exhibit E.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request that the motion to admit Lara Degenhart, pro hac vice, to represented plaintiff in the above-captioned matter be granted.

Dated: New York, New York

June 11, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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## The Supreme Court of South Carolina

### **Certificate of Good Standing**

I, Daniel E. Shearouse, Clerk of the Supreme Court of South Carolina, do hereby certify that Lara Anne Degenhart was duly sworn and admitted as an attorney in this state on November 18, 1992, and is currently an active member of the South Carolina Bar.

DANIEL E. SHEAROUSE, CLERK

BY Spenda J. Shealy CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

Columbia, South Carolina

June 6, 2008



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I, GARLAND PINKSTON, JR., Clerk of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, do hereby certify that

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In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of this Court at the City of Washington, D.C., on June 6, 2008.

GARLAND PINKSTON, JR., CLERK

By: M. Challes
Deputy Clerk

#### Donelly, Amory

From: Davis, Christine

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 10, 2008 3:10 PM

To: Donelly, Amory

Subject: FW: Consent to file pro hac motions

From: Joaquin, Alan J. [mailto:Alan.Joaquin@dbr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2008 3:09 PM

To: Davis, Christine

Subject: Re: Consent to file pro hac motions

ACE consents.

---- Original Message ----

From: Davis, Christine < DavisChristine@howrey.com>

To: Joaquin, Alan J.; Bonanno, Lisa R. < LRBonanno@HHLAW.com>

Sent: Tue Jun 10 15:06:52 2008

Subject: Consent to file pro hac motions

#### Alan and Lisa,

As per my voice mail, I am writing to seek your consent to our filing pro hac motions in S.D.N.Y. for Lara Degenhart, Robert Jacobs, and Christine Davis in the MBIA matter. Please respond to this email if you are willing to consent to our filing of these motions.

Thank you.

Regards, Christine

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#### Donelly, Amory

From:

Davis, Christine

Sent:

Wednesday, June 11, 2008 10:10 AM

To:

Donelly, Amory

Cc:

Jacobs, Robert; D'Andrea, Kristin

Subject: FW: Consent to file pro hac motions

From: Bonanno, Lisa R. [mailto:LRBonanno@HHLAW.com]

Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2008 10:08 AM

To: Davis, Christine; \_Alan Joaquin

Cc: \_David J. Hensler; Zaetta, Christopher R. Subject: RE: Consent to file pro hac motions

#### Christine:

As we discussed, we agree to consent to the filing of your pro hac motions provided that you consent to our filing similar motions. I understand from our discussion that you consent to our filing of pro hac motions in the MBIA matter and we therefore consent to your pro hac motions. Call me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Lisa

From: Davis, Christine [mailto:DavisChristine@howrey.com]

Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2008 3:07 PM To: alan.joaquin@dbr.com; Bonanno, Lisa R. Subject: Consent to file pro hac motions

Alan and Lisa.

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Defendants.	:	
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Upon the motion of Amory W. Donelly attorney for Plaintiff MBIA INC. and said sponsor attorney's affidavit in support:

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that

Lara Degenhart Howrey LLP 1299 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20004 202.783.0800 (tel.) 202.383.6610 (fax)

is admitted to practice *pro hac vice* to represent MBIA INC. in the above-captioned case in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. All attorneys appearing before this Court are subject to the Local Rules of this Court including the Rules governing discipline of attorneys. If this action is assigned to the Electronic Case Filing (ECF) system, counsel shall immediately apply for an ECF password at nysd.uscourts.gov. Counsel shall forward the *pro hac vice* fee to the Clerk of Court.

Dated: New York, New York June \_\_\_, 2008

Hon. Douglas F. Eaton
United States Magistrate Judge

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and accurate copy of the preceding documents was sent in the manner described below to the following attorneys on this 1 th day of June 2008.

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